GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM AND CULTURE
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FAKE FOREIGN TOURIST ENTRY IN TAJ MAHAL
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Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether many foreigners pose as Indians to gain entry into the Taj Mahal in view of high entry fee for foreigners;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action proposed to reduce fake foreigners entry ticket rationally to encourage tourism?

Answer

MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI ANANTH KUMAR)

(a),(b)&(c) Archeological Survey of India rely on voluntary compliance. In the matter of differential entry fee in ticketed monuments including Taj Mahal. Experience so far has been satisfactory.